Local and Literary.

Sandusky, Mansfield & Newark R. R

TIME OF TRAINS AT SANDUSKY.

	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Mail Train,	6.15 A. M.	8.35 P. M.
Accommodation,	6.30 "	5.20 "
Mansfield Train,	6.00 P. M.	8.35 A. M.

Sandusky, Dayton & Cincinnati R. R.

TIME OF TRAINS AT SANDUSKY.

	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Mail Train,	6.40 A. M.	5.30 P. M.
Mixed Train,	7.15 A. M.	7.10 A. M.

Cleveland & Toledo Railroad.

NORTHERN DIVISION.

TIME OF TRAINS AT SANDUSKY.

	LEAVE.	ARRIVE.
Mail Train,	6.50 A.M.	7.10 P.M.
Mixed Train,	1.30 P.M.	11.40 A.M.

Post Office Directory.

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T. C. McKEWEN, P. M.

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Execution of John Jackson Nickell, at Johnson's Island.

The sentence of death passed upon John Jackson Nickell by a Military Commission held in Cincinnati in May last, was on yesterday carried into effect by the military authorities at the Island. The prisoner was brought here on Monday of this week, and the sentence made known to him immediately after his arrival. He received the intelligence with great calmness, and applied himself to spiritual preparation for his end.

At a quarter before one o clock the troops, under command of Col. Chas. W. Hill, were formed into column and marched to the field west of the prison, where the gallows was erected. The prisoner, accompanied by the Chaplain of the Post, rode in a wagon, guarded by twelve men, and accompanied by the burial party, preceded by martial music playing the Dead March, the whole under command of Lieut. McDonald, acting as Provost Marshal. On the arrival of the condemned, the regiment was formed in a hollow square around the scaffold, and he seated on his coffin. The proceedings of the Military Commission, the approvals thereof, and order of execution were then read by Adjutant Hayes. The Chaplain then read a paper signed by the prisoner a few moments before leaving his place of confinement, stating that he was born in Kentucky on the 26th of September, 1843, thus being twenty-one years of age on that day of the present month; that he had entered the Confederate service at the age of eighteen years; that he leaves a father, mother, two brothers and four sisters; that he had put his trust in God and hoped for salvation through Jesus Christ. He expressed his thanks to Col. Hill, commandant of the Post, for the great kindness with which both in word and deed, he had treated the unfortunate prisoner. The kindness of other officers and men, expressed during necessary intercourse with him as guards, was also suitably acknowledged. The paper read also embraced statements in regard to the matters and things with which the prisoner stood charged, which, agreeably to his expressed wishes, will not now be printed.

Prayer was then offered by the Chaplain, when the prisoner was told to rise. He stood up promptly and with firm step. The rope was speedily adjusted, the cap drawn over his eyes, the spring touched, and in a few moments death had completed the sad scene. At two o'clock the troops were formed again into column and marched to their quarters. The burial party placed the body in a decent coffin and buried it in the Confederate Cemetery, a few feet from the place where death claimed its victim.

The following are the proceedings, findings, approvals and orders, which embrace the whole history of the case as far as we have the power to give it. It will be observed that we have written the name *Nickell*, while the following papers write it *Nichols*. We have followed the orthography of the prisoner:

"*General Court Martial Orders, No. 246.*]

"WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, August 16, 1864."

The order recites the constitution of the Military Commission, convened at Cincinnati, May 2d, 1864, with the charge, specification, etc., plea and findings. We are compelled to condense or omit altogether.

CHARGE.—"Violation of the laws of war."

Specification 1st.—The unlawful taking up of arms as a guerrilla and military insurgent, and the unlawful killing of Logan Wilson, in the county of Morgan, Kentucky, February 3d, 1863.

Specification 2d.—The unlawful killing of John D. Nichols, in the same county, Kentucky, February 7th, 1863.

Specification 3d.—For taking up arms as a guerrilla and attempting to kill, inflicting two serious wounds, Preston Pettit, in Rowan county, Kentucky, March 31st, '63.

Specification 4th.—For unlawfully taking up arms as a guerrilla and public robber, and unlawfully stealing and carrying away money and property to a large amount from the warehouse of H. H. King, of Rowan county, Kentucky, May 1st, 1863.

Specification 5th.—For unlawfully taking up arms as a guerrilla and public robber, and entering the dwelling house of David Myres, of Rowan county, Kentucky, stealing and taking away various articles of personal property, May, 1863.

Specification 6th.—For taking up arms as a guerrilla and entering the store-room of A. H. Keenan and stealing money and personal property, September, 1863.

To the first specification the prisoner pleaded "guilty," to the others "not guilty," and to the charge "not guilty."

The findings of the Commission were "guilty" of each specification, except the words "lawful currency" in the fourth, and of the charge, "guilty." The sentence was that said Nichols be hung by the neck until he is dead, at such time and place as the Commanding General may direct." The sentence was approved and ordered to be carried out.

HEADQUARTERS, NORTHERN DEPARTMENT,
COLUMBUS O., August 25th, 1864.
SPECIAL ORDERS, No. 170.

Extract:

8. John J. Nichols, a citizen of the State of Kentucky, having been tried before a Military Commission, which convened at Cincinnati, Ohio, May 2d, 1864, (pursuant to Special Orders No. 59 current series, dated from these Headquarters, Columbus, O, April 11th, 1864), upon a charge of "Violation of the laws of war," and sentenced by the Commission "to be hung by the neck until he is dead, at such time and place as the Commanding General may direct," which sentence has been approved by the President of the United States, it is directed that the sentence be carried into effect at Johnson's Island, Ohio, between the hours of ten A. M. and two P. M. on Friday the 2d day of September, 1864, under the direction of the commanding officer of that Post, Col. C. W. Hill, 128th Regiment O.V.I.

By command of
MAJ. GEN. HEINTZELMAN.
C. H. PORTER, A. A. General.

COL. CHAS. W. HILL,
Com'd'g Johnson's Island, Ohio.

HEADQUARTERS U. S. FORCES,
JOHNSON'S ISLAND AND SANDUSKY,
SANDUSKY, O., Sept. 1st, 1864.
GENERAL ORDERS NO. 207.

Extract.

VIII. Pursuant to paragraph No. 3, Special Orders No. 170, current series from Major General J. P. Heintzelman, commanding Western Department, Job. J. Nichols, a condemned prisoner, now confined in the guard quarters at this Post, will be taken from the place of his confinement at a quarter before one o'clock tomorrow afternoon, under an escort of a sergeant and twelve men, to be detailed from the first relief of the prison guard by the officer of the day, and will be conducted to the place of execution, and there before the hour of two o'clock of the same afternoon, be hung by the neck until he is dead.

IX. A coffin and a conveyance to transport the prisoner, (if necessary) from the place of confinement to the place of execution, and proper head and foot boards for the grave will be provided by Capt. L. M. Brooks, A.Q.M.

X. A grave for the remains of the prisoner will be prepared in the rebel grave-yard on the island before 12 M. to-morrow, and after sufficient delay, to be determined by the Surgeons, the prisoner's remains will be properly interred.

XI. Post Chaplain McCune will attend the prisoner from the place of confinement to the place of execution, and remain with him as long as he wishes.

XII. Major H. Everman, Surgeon U. S. V., Chief Medical officer, and Major T. Woodridge, Surgeon 128th O. V. I. will attend the execution and make the usual examination as to the condition of the prisoner, and report the facts and the result of the execution.

XIII. The 128th Reg't O V I will be under arms at 12:30 M, and will move at ten min. before 1 P. M to the place of execution, taking such positions as may be directed, and will remain until dismissed.

XIV. The procession will form at the guard quarters and approach the line from the right at the place of the execution in the following order, viz:

1st—Provost Marshal.
2d—Music.
3d—Provost Marshal's Assistants.
4th—Coffin, borne or attended by four men.
5th—Prisoner and Chaplain.
6th—Escort.

When the procession shall have reached the right of the troops, the front line will about face, and the procession move between the lines to the place of execution, the band playing a funeral march; the front line will then about face and the troops will form a square around the gallows faced inwards.

XV. The coffin having been placed on the fatal spot and the prisoner having been placed by, or on it, the charges, specifications, pleas, findings, sentence, approvals and orders for execution will be read so as to be heard by the prisoner and the command, by 1st Lieut. Hayes, Adjutant of the 128th O V I. A prayer will then be offered by the Chaplain, and at the conclusion the Provost Marshal will announce to the prisoner that he has ten minutes to prepare for execution in such manner as he may deem proper, and at the expiration of that period the execution will take place.

XVI. 1st Lieut A. S. McDonald, commanding the police guard, is charged with the execution of so much of paragraphs 8, 10, 14, 15 of this order as is not devolved on other officer.

XVII. A corp. officer and enlisted man at this post able and fit to bear arms, and who is equipped, and not assigned to other duty, or excused, will be in his position, and on duty with the command. Recruits for the keep, march, unarmed, will march out at the rear of the column and be assigned offices and positions by the Colonel commanding.

By command of COL. CHAS. W. HILL.
JOHN LEWIS, Capt and A A A G.

☞ LOST—THE LADIES' FRIEND.—The September number of the *Ladies' Friend*, which our exchanges all say was a very nice number, was lost some where between the publishers' and our sanctum.

☞ THE EXCURSION TO-DAY.—Look out for good times on the *Portsmouth* to-day.—York, Townsend, Margaretta and Groton, are a host separately; in a *union* effort they will be mighty. The steamer leaves at 9 o'clock A. M., and returns at 5 P. M.

☞ We call the attention of all having business to transact with the General Government in the way of claims, pensions, &c., to the card of H. C. Bush, Esq. He too has seen service, and bears about him an honorable passport to the soldier's as well as the citizen's confidence.

☞ We call attention to the card of S. C. Wheeler, Esq., who has taken out license as agent for the collection of claims, pensions, &c.

We all know Mr. Wheeler; we know the halt in his step, and we know how he came by it too. To the soldier, further recommendations are not needed.

☞ EXCURSION ON THE 10TH.—We notice that the *Gen. Grant* is advertised to make an excursion trip from Fremont through the Bay to Kelley's Island, on the 10th of September. The Fremont Brass Band will furnish music for the occasion; but not alone, but will be aided by a string band also:—You know what that means? Some do.

☞ SABBATH SERVICES OF THE NORTH OHIO CONFERENCE, SEPT. 4, 1864.—M. E. Church, 10½ A. M., Bishop Ames and the Ordination of Deacons.

M. E. Church, 3 P. M., A. Poe and Ordination of Elder. 7½, evening, T. Barkdull.

Grace Episcopal Church, 10½, W. D. Godman. 7½, evening, G. S. Phillips.

Congregational Church, 10½ A. M., L. Warner. 7½, evening, E. H. Bush.

Presbyterian Church, 10½, W. B. Disbro. 7½, evening, J. A. Mudge.

Perkins M. E. Church, 10½, A. J. Lyon.

Johnson's Island, S. Mower.

Port Clinton, 10½, J. McKran.

Christie Chapel, 10½, T. J. Gard.

Danbury, 10½, J. Elliott.

☞ PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—The fall term of the Sandusky City Public Schools will commence on Monday, 5th inst. s2-d2t

☞ DYSPEPSIA, NERVOUSNESS, AND DEBILITY, DR. STRICKLAND'S TONIC.—We can recommend those suffering with Loss of Appetite, Indigestion, or Dyspepsia, Nervousness and Nervous Debility, to use Strickland's Tonic. It is a vegetable preparation, free from alcoholic liquors; strengthens the whole nervous system; it creates a good appetite, and is warranted to cure Dyspepsia and Nervous Debility.

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Sandusky, August 26, '64. 4im-a24

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STOCK farm of 1160 acres, near Sandusky, for sale on reasonable terms. H. C. BUSH.
August 22, 1864—4im

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